

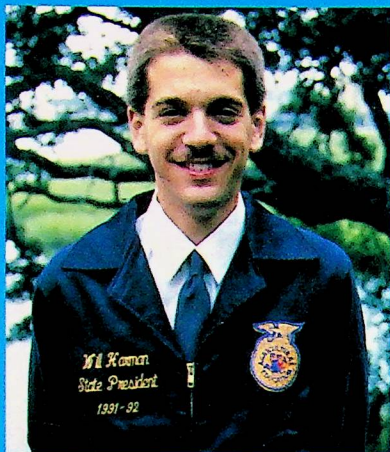
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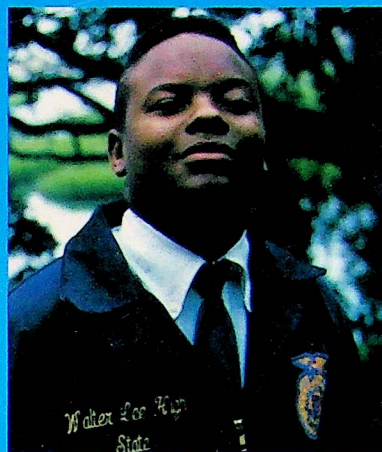
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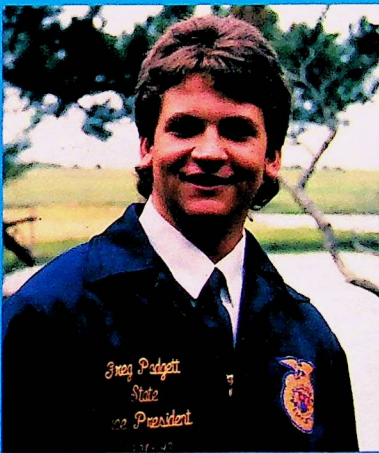


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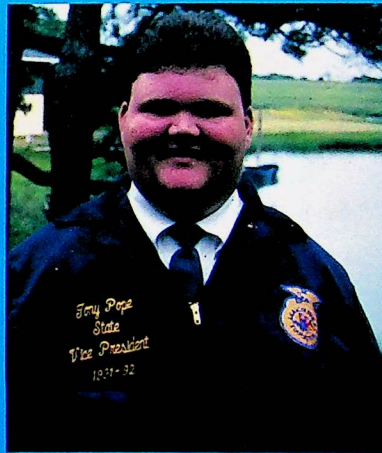
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TO FFA MEMBERS

BY J. EARL FRICK, JR.

A large and enthusiastic crowd of more than 425 FFA members, advisors and guests attended the 1991 State FFA Convention June 12-14 at Clemson University. National FFA Vice President Julie Classen from Ayr, Nebraska, Dr. Dayna Waitley, a motivational speaker from New Hampshire, and a number of sponsors and leaders of youth organizations provided an interesting and exciting program. Congratulations to the FFA members, advisors and friends of the FFA, many of whom you will see in this issue of the magazine, who were recognized during the convention.

A new set of six FFA State Officers from throughout South Carolina were elected during the final session of the convention. They want to serve you and work with each chapter to help recruit new members and inform older members about the opportunities in the FFA organization. Please invite them to your

chapter meetings and banquets. Their goal is to visit every chapter in the state during the 1991-92 school year.

The National FFA Convention is scheduled for November 13-16 in Kansas City. Airline rates are significantly higher this year as compared to 1990. The estimated cost including plane fare and room is \$368 for students and \$400 for adults. The South Carolina Association has reserved a number of airline seats from Columbia, Greenville, Myrtle Beach and Charlotte. Rooms have been reserved at Howard Johnson Central in Kansas City. Airline seats and rooms will be allotted on a first-come, first-served basis. Make your plans now to attend the National FFA Convention, obtain necessary forms from your advisor through your district consultant, and return the forms well ahead of the October 1 deadline.

TO YOUNG FARMERS

BY RUSSELL S. WILLIS

The Edgefield and Saluda Young Farmer Chapters will host the Summer Tour in Aiken next month. This year's tour promises to be another good one. Registration begins Friday afternoon, August 9 at the Holiday Inn, Aiken. Exact tour times and locations are being finalized and should be in your mail this week.

Plans are now being made to attend the National Young Farmer Institute in Mobile, Alabama, on December 11-15. Those interested in attending either by group or individually should call me at

882-6762 or Hugh McClimon at 734-8426 for more information.

Mark your 1992 calendars now to attend the State Young Farmer Convention in Charleston on January 17-19. The event will be at the Sheraton and promises to be as informative and entertaining as last year's. If you have not been to a state convention in several years, this will be an opportune time for you and your chapter to participate. More information on the Charleston Convention will be coming to you in the fall.

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SMILING FACES — Walter High, Greg Padgett, Lee Mayfield, Terri Williams, Will Harman, Tony Pope.

1991-92 OFFICERS

Will Harman of Gilbert FFA Chapter was elected president of the South Carolina FFA Association last month in the closing session of the annual convention at Clemson. He succeeds John Holladay of Manning.

Other officers include Terri Williams of Travelers Rest, vice president; William Gregory Padgett of Pelion, vice president; Malcolm Anthony Pope of Pleasant Hill, vice president; Walter Lee High of Holly Hill-Roberts, vice president; Russell Lee Mayfield of Dorman, secretary.

Hugh P. McClimon of Columbia is state supervisor of agricultural education and FFA advisor. Earl Frick of Florence is district consultant in agricultural education and FFA executive secretary.

DATES TO REMEMBER - FFA

Vocational Teachers Conference	July 29-31 Columbia
National FFA Convention	November 13-16 Kansas City

DATES TO REMEMBER - YOUNG FARMER

Young Farmer Summer Tour	August 9-10 Aiken
National Young Farmer Institute	December 11-15 Mobile
State Young Farmer Convention	January 17-19, 1992 Charleston

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MORNING EXERCISES — Each FFA Leadership camp morning begins with light workout.



Lee Barrett is the focus of eyes as FFA Executive Secretary Earl Frick goes over convention procedures with 1990-91 officers Jeff Murdock, Candice Hallman, FFA Advisor Hugh McClimon and Lee Fanning.



Motivational speaker Dr. Dayna Waitley of Hanover, New Hampshire provided the inspiration for FFA members on Thursday afternoon.

64th SCFFA Convention Brings 400 to Clemson

Presentations by National FFA Vice President Julie Classen of Nebraska and motivational speaker Dr. Dayna Waitley of New Hampshire highlighted the 64th South Carolina FFA convention. The four general sessions were busy ones devoted to education, entertainment, awards and contests, and concluded with the election of new officers (page 3).

Tyson Harley Waddell of James F. Byrnes Chapter was named Star State Farmer, and Greg Padgett of Pelion Chapter was named State Star in Agribusiness Thursday night.

District Star Farmers included Stuart Tony Davis of Pelion, Duff Williams of Green Sea Floyd Chapter, Daniel Harvey Garrick, Jr., of Edisto Chapter. District Stars in Agribusiness included Christina Lee Williamson of Hillcrest (Greenville) Chapter, Joseph N. White of Johnsonville Chapter, and Walter Lee High of Holly Hill-Roberts Chapter.

The following were state winners in contests conducted at Clemson during the convention:

FFA Creed Speaking: Michael Dorn of Lexington AVC Chapter, first; Christopher Moyd of Andrews High Chapter, second; Laurie Vernon of Aiken High Chapter, third.

Farm Business Management: Britton's Neck Chapter, Jerry Pace, advisor. High Individuals were Stacey Bazen of Britton's Neck, first; Mandi Yon, second, and Stoney Oswald, third, both of Wagener-Salley Chapter.

Nursery/Landscape: Lexington AVC Chapter, Tommy Harmon, advisor. High Individuals were Wayne Mixon of Lexington AVC Chapter, first; David Hensley of Rock Hill CDC Chapter, second; Chad Wingard of Lexington AVC Chapter, third.

Floriculture: Lexington AVC Chapter, Tommy Harmon, advisor. High Individuals were Steve Nunn of Rock Hill CDC Chapter, first; Ashley Bryant, second, and Nan Johnson, third, both of Lexington AVC Chapter.

Agricultural Mechanics: Edisto High Chapter, George Ulmer, advisor. High Individuals were Chris Buchanan of Central High Chapter, first; Russ Jameson of Edisto High Chapter, second; Tim Giaffis of Wagener-Salley Chapter, third.

Patrick Stone of Johnsonville Chapter won the SCFFA

Public Speaking Contest. His topic was "Genetic Engineering." Harmon Cooper is agricultural teacher and advisor at Johnsonville High School.

Wagener-Salley Chapter won first place honors in the SCFFA Parliamentary Procedure Contest. Team members are Rachelle Jackson, Chris Harley, Stony Oswald, Derrick Cooper and Mandi Yon.

The following awards were presented during the convention in recognition of outstanding student accomplishments this year in the study of agriculture and agribusiness:

Computers in Agriculture Awards sponsored through the National FFA Foundation: Karen Caldwell of Travelers Rest, first place/gold award; Jonathan Davis of Belton-Honea Path, second place/silver; Brad Tunnel of Green Sea Floyds, third place/bronze award.

Agriscience Student Recognition Program Award: Russell Lee Mayfield of Dorman Chapter.

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Furman-Manchester FFA members and advisor Dreful Williams distribute BOAC literature in the lobby of Tillman Hall.



West-Oak FFA Advisor Steve Willis registers chapter teams for the Nursery/Landscape Contest.



Clemson University's new T. Ed. Garrison Arena was the site for the state Nursery/Landscape Contest this year.

Honorary State FFA Degrees Go to 39 in Convention Ceremony

The Honorary State FFA degree was awarded to 39 individuals during the first general session of the annual convention last month. The following, selected for their contributions and service to the SCFFA, received this special recognition.

Agricultural teachers recognized include John Herron and James Copelan of Crescent High School; Joe Sutton of Indian Land High School; Martin Hutto and Earl Hammett of East Clarendon High School; Benjamin J. Kolb of Beaufort-Jasper CEC; and Lee Stoudemire of Ellore High School.

School officials and community leaders cited included Margee Gray of Liberty; Irvin C. Cunningham, Principal of Pendleton High School; J.N. Davis of Leesville; W.C. Jones, Jr., of Lexington, County Extension Agent; Frank M. Patterson, Coordinator of Vocational Services, Chesterfield County School District; Randall Harris, Vocational Director, Orangeburg School District 3.

Also honored were Dr. Glenn C. Shinn, Professor and Head, Agricultural Education Department, Clemson University; Dr. T. Ross Wilkerson, Academic Dean of Instruction, College of Agricultural Sciences, Clemson University; Dr. Clyde Leonard Parks, Professor of Agronomy and Soils, Clemson University; Dr. Gordon W.

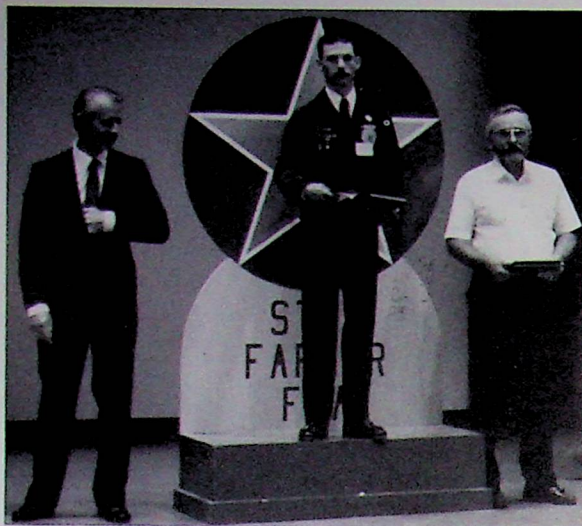
Gray, Dean, College of Education, Clemson University; Dr. Wilbert P. Byrd, Professor and Head, Experimental Statistics, Clemson University; David L. Tompkins, Jr., of Columbia, Assistant to the Commissioner for Executive Affairs, South Carolina Department of Agriculture; Walter E. Harris of Columbia, Manager, Office of Rural and Community Development, South Carolina State Development Board; Charles T. Edens of Dalzell, President, S.C. Association of Young Farmers; Jack Singletary of Columbia, Teacher Education Consultant, State Department of Education; John A. Owens of Laurens, General Manager of Classic Outdoor Advertising.

Parents of State officers honored included Johnnie and John Holladay of Manning; Eileen and Floyd Hemingway of Gresham; Ann and Danny Murdock of Honea Path; George D. Hallman of Ninety Six; Brenda B. Cockrell of Batesburg; Mildred Joyner of West Columbia; Phyllis Barrett of West Columbia; Carolyn and Levern Fanning of Norway.

Also recognized were Sandra and Harley Waddell of Greer, parents of Star Farmer; and Bobbie and Javis Padgett of Leesville, parents of State Star in Agribusiness.



Crescent advisors Jay Copelan and John Herron show off their Honorary State FFA degrees.



Tyson Harley Waddell, named Star State Farmer in ceremonies Thursday night, stands on stage between his James F. Byrnes advisor G.P. Jones and his father Harley Waddell.

SCFFA Convention Contest Winners



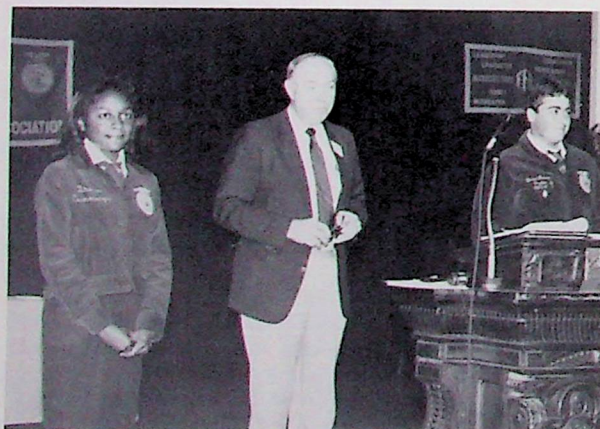
Greg Padgett of Pelion FFA Chapter, named State Star in Agribusiness, stands on stage between his parents Javis and Bobbie Padgett and his advisor Frank R. Stover, Jr.



Members of the Britton's Neck Chapter winning the farm business management contest were Ross Richardson, Brad Richardson, Stacey Bazen and advisor Jerry Pace.



Belton-Honea Path Chapter advisor Dr. Harold Mackey and member Justin L. Pruitt display their chapter and individual first place awards in agricultural electrification.

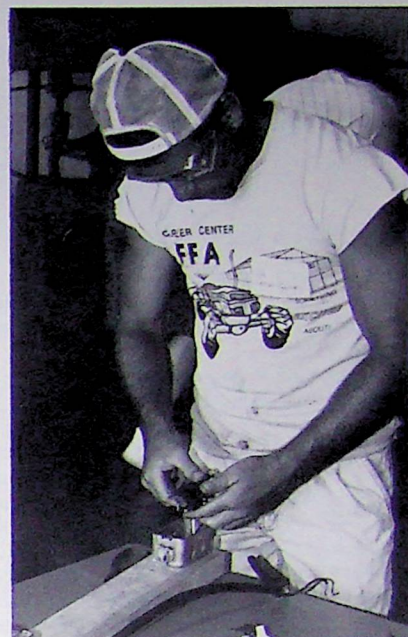


FFA Advisor Hugh McClimon recognizes Tracie Denise Cummings of Lake View, winner of a \$10,000 Minority Scholarship, and David Harry Prince of Loris, winner of a \$1,000 Wal-Mart Scholarship.

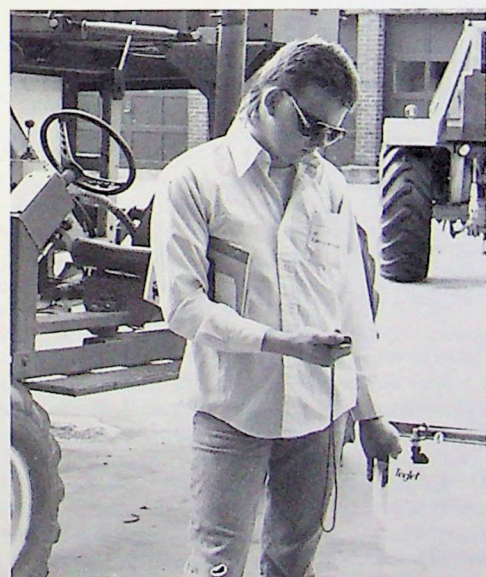


Members of the Lexington AVC taking first place in nursery/landscape were advisor Tommy Harmon, Chad Wingard, Wayne Mixon, Tony Long.

SCFFA CONVENTION CONTESTS



Problem-Solving Scenes of the State Agricultural Mechanics Contest in McAdams Hall



Wagener-Salley Chapter members winning first place in the state parliamentary procedures contest at Clemson include Rachelle Jackson, Chris Harley, Stony Oswald, Derrick Cooper and Mandi Yon.



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Agricultural Electrification Award: state winner was Justin L. Pruitt of Belton-Honea Path; district winners included Craig Ballington of Gilbert; Brent Jernigan of Lamar; Jason Chad Mole of Edisto.

Agricultural Proficiency Awards, and the category in which the recipient participated to earn the award:

Craig Ballington of Gilbert, Agricultural Electrification; Jerry Thomas White of Belton-Honea Path, Agricultural Mechanics; Scott Harrelson of Loris, Agricultural Processing; Frankie Gore of Loris, Agricultural Sales and Services; Lee Clinton of Clover, Dairy Production; Tyson Harley Waddell of James F. Byrnes, Diversified Livestock Production; Robert C. Sigwald, III, of Aiken, Floriculture; Troy F. Willing of Aiken, Forage Production; Joseph N. White of Johnsonville, Forest Management; Eric Darell Young of Estill, Home and/or Farmstead Improvement; Austin Stone of Johnsonville, Horse Proficiency; Tony Long of Lexington, Nursery Operations; John R. Harding, III, of Clover, placement in Agricultural Production; Charles M. Boyd of Travelers Rest, Poultry Production; Russell Lee Mayfield of Dorman, Specialty Animal Production; Daniel H. Garrick, Jr. of Edisto, Swine Production; Stewart L. Roberts of Pleasant Hill, Turf and Landscape Management.

Agricultural Education Scholarship, sponsored by the South Carolina Fertilizer and Agrichemicals Association: Russell Lee Mayfield of Dorman Chapter.

Cooperative Program Awards sponsored by the SC Cooperative Council: state winner was Travelers Rest Chapter, Glen Stevens, advisor; district winners included Clover Chapter, Chris Edge, advisor; Green Sea Floyds Chapter, Darrell Rickets, advisor; Holly Hill-Roberts Chapter, James Ulmer, III, advisor.

Building Our American Communities (BOAC): Strom Thurmond Chapter, Suzanne Holmes and Ken Chapman, advisors, captured the Governor's Citation, the highest award in BOAC competition. State individual winner was Edward Brown of Strom Thurmond. Gold emblem chapter winners in BOAC projects included Hillcrest (Sumter), B.J. Skelton, Furman-

Manchester, McBee, Loris, Travelers Rest and Rock Hill.

Individual FFA Awards: Russell Lee Mayfield of Dorman; Henry Poole of Pelion; Stacey Bazen of Britton's Neck; Robert Daniel Willing of Aiken.

Agricultural Education Forgivable Loan Program, sponsored by the South Carolina Association of FFA: Russell Lee Mayfield and Patrick Edward Settle of Dorman Chapter; Lori Michelle Stewart of Pickens Chapter; Keena Hardin of Crescent Chapter.

The Teacher Incentive Program award went to Chris Edge of Clover.

Twenty-four FFA Chapters were presented National Safety

Awards and forty-one FFA Chapters were presented the Superior Chapter Award. Berea, Travelers Rest and Furman-Manchester Chapters will be considered for national recognition this fall in the National Safety Awards program. Clover, Pleasant Hill, McBee and Furman-Manchester will be considered for national recognition in the Superior Chapter category.

Seventy-seven FFA members were awarded the State FFA degree in recognition of their achievements in agricultural education and work experiences related to their studies of agriculture in high school. Students receiving the degree included:

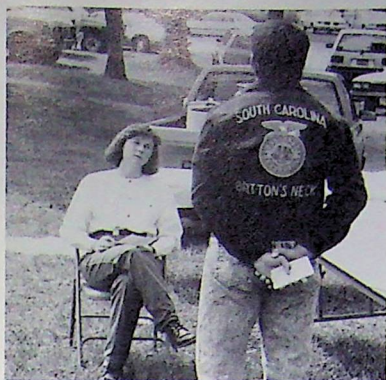
District 1 — Russell Lee Mayfield, Dorman; Matthew Lee Gambrell, Calhoun Falls; Steven Dwight Davis, Tyson Harley Waddell, Brian Harold Williams of James F. Byrnes; Genni Impson, Trinity M. Paxton, Christina Lee Williamson of Hillcrest; Michael Owens, Alan B. Rogers of Pendleton; Darren Baer, Susan Carol Banister, Kim Carmichael, Tammy Clark, David Dickerson, James Dunn, Bryan Lee Hart, John E. Huff, Melody Letterman, Lexie Lollis, Kristina McCauley, Scott Ramey, Terri Williams of Travelers Rest, Jerrol Heath Bartley, Reggie Wesley Padgett of Saluda.

District 2 — Stuart Tony Davis, Greg Padgett, Pelion; Tony Kevin Long, Lexington; Jerry Lee Carpenter, Mark Jackson McCarter, York.

District 3 — Barry Anderson, Herman Dowe Enzor, Stan Harrelson, Ernie Strickland, Franklin Ervin Strickland, Duff Williams of Green Sea Floyds; Joseph N. White of Johnsonville; Ingrid Trinette Bell, Johnny Junior McKenzie, Robert L. McKenzie, Jr., Christopher Allen Parker of McBee; Tracie Denise Cummings, Stephen Newell of Lake View; A.Y. Arnette, Chris Carter, Richard Cooper, Christopher Michael Gardner of Latta; Kerwin Williams of Andrews; Catina Ann Miller, Malcolm Anthony Pope, Melissa Angenetta Young of Pleasant Hill; Mitchell Guy Cox, William Chris Elliott, Freddie Scott Grainger, Scott Harrelson, James Wesley Martin, David Harry Prince of Loris; William Lawson Anderson, Jr., Gregory Scott Page, Robbie Smith of Mullins; Stacey Bazen, Kimberly Reason, Brad Richardson, Ross Richardson of Britton's Neck.

District 4 — Shannon Hoyt Jordan of Aiken; Daniel Harvey Garrick, Jr., Robert T. Hilton, Todd L. Rickenbaker, Philip Smith of Edisto; Walter Lee High, Stacey Void of Holly Hill-Roberts; Clint Brown, Jeri Johnson, Sabrina T. Poole, Greg Rawls of Wagener-Salley; Gloria A. Williams of Estill; Wendel O'Keith Bruner of Hunter-Kinard-Tyler.

Other FFA scholarship winners and their awards recognized in the closing session of the convention included Tracie Denise Cummings of Lake View, \$10,000 Minority Scholarship; David Harry Prince of Loris, \$1,000 Wal-Mart Scholarship; John Clowney of Blair, \$500 Professional Plant Growers Association Scholarship; and Meredith Tomlinson of Lynchburg, \$1,000 Cargil Scholarship.



Each livestock contestant must present orally a set of reasons for breeding techniques.



The top FFA Livestock Judging team, Wagener-Salley, includes Jeri Johnson, Clint Brown, Danny Sheppard, advisor Allen Williams.

Wagener-Salley Wins April Livestock Judging Contest

The Wagener-Salley FFA Team tallied 1,007 of a possible 1,200 points to win the annual State FFA Livestock Selection and Grading Contest in April at Clemson. The team, composed of Clint Brown, Jeri Johnson, Danny Shepherd and Craig Neely, will represent South

Carolina in November at the American Royal Livestock Show in Kansas City. The team judged seven classes of beef and swine to beat nineteen other chapter teams. Allen Williams is FFA advisor.

Top individual trophies went to Jeri

Johnson of Wagener-Salley, first; Genni Impson of Hillcrest, second; and Warren Larrimore of Britton's Neck. Top district plaques went to the following teams: Hillcrest, District 1; York, District 2; Britton's Neck, District 3; and Wagener-Salley, District 4.

Andrew Jackson, McCollough Win Timber Harvesting



Andrew Jackson's winning team at April's Timber Harvesting Field Day included: Ardrey McCollough, Tracy Rush, Kent Craig, advisor George Morrow, Adam Knight, and Travis Robinson.

The team of Ardrey McCollough, Tracy Rush, Kent Craig, Adam Knight and Travis Robinson won first place for Andrew Jackson in annual Timber Harvesting Day in April. Other FFA chapters represented were Andrews, Crescent, Hillcrest (Dalzell) and Walterboro.

McCollough won top individual honors with 451 points out of 500 possible.

Crescent FFA student Jon Rainey was second with 441 and Tracy Rush of Andrew Jackson won third with a score of 423. The three individuals received trophies and cash awards for their efforts.

The students had to estimate both standing saw timber and pulpwood in standing trees. They also competed in scaling saw logs and identifying trees.

Mel Hinson of Westvaco coordinated the contest and activities which included a catered barbeque lunch. He was assisted by Butch Turner of Stone Container and Russ Hallberg of Catawba Timber. The event is held each year at Manchester State Forest in Sumter County.

HILLCREST CHAPTER WINS FORESTRY CONTEST

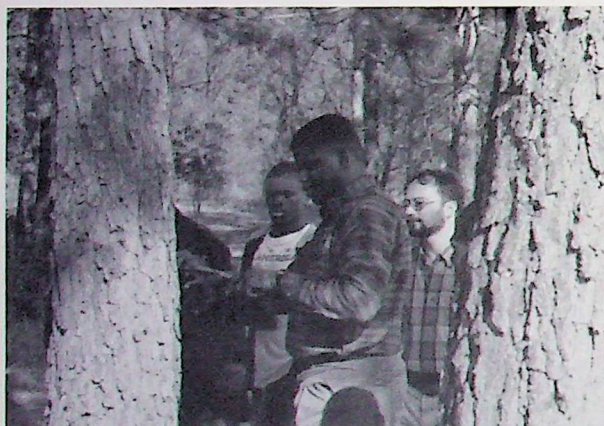
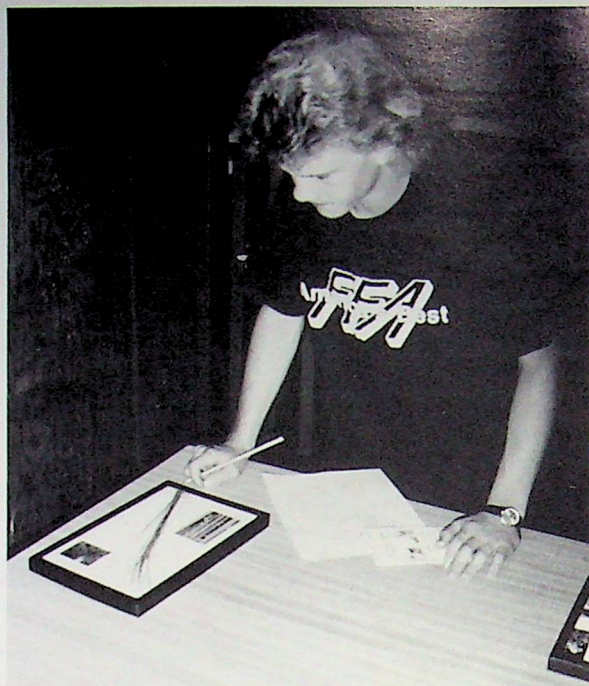
Four students — Christine Williamson, Genni Impson, Alena Eddleman and Brian Vaughn — from Hillcrest High School won first place in the FFA Forestry Contest in May. The team won a trip to Kansas City in November to represent South Carolina in the national FFA convention. Clark Woods is advisor.

The Pleasant Hill team of Stephanie Capps, Jamie Owens and Melissa Mathews placed second and the Ware Shoals team of Lee Wood, Lee Crawford and Patrick Jackson took third.

The contest, held April 27 at Camp Long in Aiken, was held in conjunction with 4-H Earth Day. Students competed in written forestry terms and tree identification tests, in standing tree measurements, and in pacing and compass use.

Receiving trophies for individual honors were Christine Williamson, first place, and Genni Impson, second place. Both are from the Crescent chapter. Lee Wood of Ware Shoals won third place.

Robbie Willing of the Aiken Chapter prepares to answer a question on tree identification during the FFA Forestry Contest.



Hurcules Rice, Jr., uses an increment borer to determine the age of a tree.



Eric Cleland and Micah Donaldson practice their tree measurements as Westvaco's Doug Parker watches.

Beaufort-Jasper Completes Forest, Field & Stream Course

Seventeen students completed FFA advisor Jack Queener's new course this year at Beaufort-Jasper CEC, "Introduction to Environmental and Natural Resources Careers." Three of those students — Eric Cleland, Micah Donaldson, and Peter Hamilton — competed for the first time in the FFA forestry contest in April.

While the general focus of the course was natural resources, it also included several weeks of forestry work with a

forestry expert. Using the trees surrounding the center, Westvaco senior forest inventory technician Doug Parker worked with the students. He introduced them to the various tree measurements (diameter, height and volume) that foresters use and equipment, including an increment borer to determine the age of trees. The students were also introduced to current timberland management practices used by foresters in South Carolina.

Satisfied with the initial course offering, Queener looks for enrollment in the course to grow and for the center's outdoor lab to become a reality in the fall.

Queener is currently working on converting nine unused acres around the center into an outdoor resources laboratory and further expanding course activities.

1991 SCFFA Leadership Camp

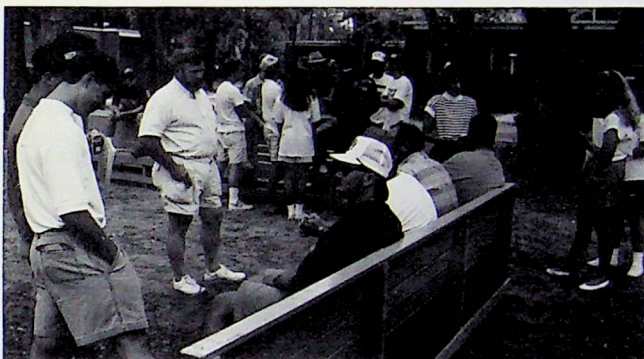


The new state officers meet to review procedures for the leadership sessions in the camp auditorium.



Rachel Johnson of the Lake View Chapter helps raise the American flag during morning devotions.

FFA Leadership Camp last month attracted 127 officers from 37 chapters. The training sessions began on the 25th and provided the officers with guidelines in thinking skills and conducting meetings.



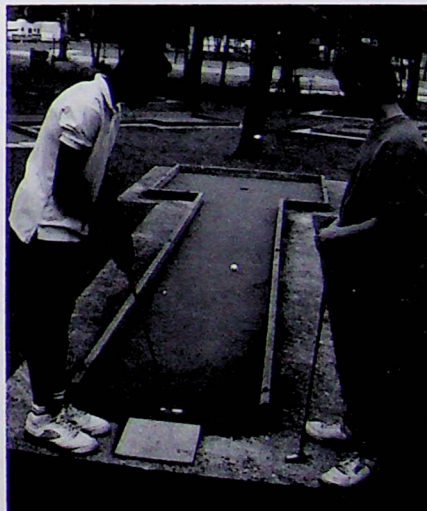
FFA advisors and members enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of the FFA Camp.



Program specialist Tony Hoyt of the National FFA Center was on hand Wednesday to begin the opening session.



Other camp activities included meals in the cafeteria, swimming, and playing the camp's miniature golf course.



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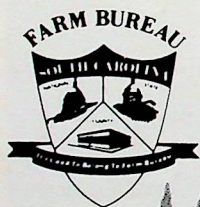
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